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SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 23 October 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room
	Iraq (S/1997/774 and S/1997/816)*	
	Angola (S/1997/807)	
	Other matters	

* With a view to a formal meeting.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

*Open-ended Informal Consultations of the Plenary on Agenda Item 157
(United Nations reform: measures and proposals)*

3 p.m. 6th meeting (closed) Conference Room 4

Continuation of the consideration of the recommendations contained at the end of paras. 96, 101, 115 and 126 of the report of the Secretary-General (A/51/ 950) and beginning the consideration of the recommendations contained at the end of paras. 134, 135 and 137 of the same report. Conference Room Papers A/52/CRP.1, 2 and 3, the Informal List of Measures and Proposals of 7 October 1997 as well as the "Secretariat response to comments and queries" of 21 October 1997 were made available to members during the previous informal consultations.

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. 11th meeting Conference
Room 4

General debate on all disarmament and international security items (items 62 to 82) (A/C.1/52/INF/1)

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. 16th meeting Conference
Room 2

Joint session of the high level segment of the Trade and Development Board and the Second Committee: Video-conference (Geneva-New York) in connection with the joint closing session of the high-level segment of the Trade and Development Board and the Second Committee. Among other things, the event will include comments on a summary of the panel on the theme "Electronic Commerce", as well as a segment on "Partners for Development", to be introduced by the Secretary-General of UNCTAD, Mr. Rubens Ricupero.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. 12th meeting Conference
Room 1

1. Advancement of Women [105] (A/52/3*, A/52/38/Rev.1, A/52/337, A/52/352, A/52/326, A/52/356, A/52/355, A/52/408, A/52/300, A/52/116-S/1997/317, A/52/447-S/1997/775*, A/52/460*)
2. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women [106] (A/52/281, A/52/113-E/1997/18, A/52/447-S/1997/775*, A/52/460*)

Conclusion of general discussion

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. 13th meeting Conference
Room 1

1. Crime prevention and criminal justice [103] (A/52/3*, A/52/295, A/52/327, A/52/357, A/52/413, A/52/447-S/1997/775*, A/C.3/52/L.4, L.5, L.6, L.7 and L.8)
2. International drug control [104] (A/52/3*, A/52/127, A/52/127, A/52/296, A/52/336, A/52/413, A/52/447-S/1997/775*, E/1997/48)

Introduction and general discussion

* To be issued.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 13th meeting Conference
Room 3

1. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [116] (A/52/6/Rev.1: Vols. I and II, A/52/7, A/52/16, A/52/278, A/52/303, A/52/379 and A/C.5/51/53)

Continuation of general discussion

2. Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission [123] (A/51/494/Add.3, A/52/385 and Corr.1 and A/52/478)

Introduction and general discussion

3. Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Liberia [133] (A/52/401 and A/52/451)

Introduction and general discussion

Morning*-
1 p.m. informal consultations
(closed) Conference
Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 142 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peace-keeping operations: (a) Financing of the United Nations peace-keeping operations; Third party liability; reform of the procedures for determining reimbursement to Member States regarding contingent-owned equipment (A/51/903, A/51/967 and Corr.1-2 and A/52/410))

* Following the adjournment of the 13th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.
1 p.m. 13th meeting Trusteeship
Council Chamber

3 p.m.
6 p.m. 14th meeting Trusteeship
Council Chamber

Establishment of an international criminal court [150] (A/AC.249/1997/L.5 and L.8/Rev.1)

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE
AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Draft report
2. United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/52/303)

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Wednesday, 22 October 1997

GROUP OF 77 OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE (on the implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women: item 108)

9.15 a.m.-
10.45 a.m. closed meeting Conference Room 6

Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations on the General Assembly draft resolution on the implementation of the outcome of the World Social Summit *today*, 23 October 1997, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE (on macroeconomic policy questions: items 95 (a) and (d) and 99 (b))

1.30 p.m.-
2.45 p.m. closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Meeting of co-sponsors

There will be an open ended meeting of all delegations regarding co-sponsorship of the draft resolution of the First Committee on the Nuclear Weapon Free Southern Hemisphere and Adjacent Areas on Thursday, 23 October 1997, at 3.30 in Conference Room 6. The meeting will give all delegations the opportunity to be original co-sponsors of the draft resolution.

GROUP OF 77 OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE (on the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development)

1.30 p.m.-
2.45 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 5

Informal presentation

An informal presentation will be given by Mr. Kemal Dervis, Vice-President, Middle East and North Africa Regional Office (World Bank) on "The Middle East and North Africa: Issues and Lessons for the World Economy" on Thursday, 23 October 1997, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. All interested delegations, non-governmental organizations, representatives of the press and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE (on item 99 (a): Operational activities for development of the United Nations system)

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

ARAB GROUP (at the ambassadorial level)

3.30 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 7

Informal meeting

Closed consultations among members of the Security Council and troop contributors on MONUA will be held *today*, 23 October 1997, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Announcement

As from Wednesday, 1 October 1997, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings as of 6 October will take place at 3.30 p.m. in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, 23 October 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	12th meeting	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.	13th meeting	Conference Room 4

WORKING GROUP ON THE QUESTION OF IMPLEMENTATION OF CHARTER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THIRD STATES AFFECTED BY THE APPLICATION OF SANCTIONS

Morning*	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
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* Following the adjournment of the 15th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	17th meeting	Conference Room 2
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

* Immediately following the adjournment of the 17th meeting of the Second Committee.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	14th meeting	Conference Room 1
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FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	15th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will take action on Monday, 27 October 1997 at 3 p.m. on the draft resolutions and drafts decisions on agenda items 18, 90, 91, 92 and 12 and 93 (see document A/C.4/52/1) and as indicated in document A/C.4/52/L.7.

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SECOND COMMITTEE AND THIRD COMMITTEE

Informal meeting

There will be a joint Second and Third Committee informal panel-format briefing (DESA/UNCTAD/UNDP) on "Poverty Eradication and Related Social and Economic Issues" on Friday, 24 October 1997, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The briefing will be moderated by Mr. John Langmore, Director, Division for Social Policy and Development, DESA. The panelists invited are Ms. Sakiko Fukuda-Parr, Director, Human Development Report Office, UNDP, and Mr. Yilmaz Akyuz, Chief, Macroeconomic and Development Policies Unit, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD.

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The 1997 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities will take place on Tuesday, 4 November 1997, at 10 a.m. and on Wednesday, 5 November 1997, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

It would be appreciated if delegations which have not already done so, could submit the names of their representatives to the Secretary of the Pledging Conference, Mr. Alexandre De Barros (room S-2950-G; tel.: 963-2320 or 5973; fax No.: 963-5935).

The list of speakers will be open beginning 29 October until 3 November 1997.

**Open-ended Informal Consultations of the
United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea
on Agenda Item 39 (Oceans and the Law of the Sea)**

There will be Open-ended Informal consultations on Friday, 24 October 1997 at 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber on the draft resolutions relating to Agenda Item 39 (Oceans and the Law of the Sea). The draft resolutions are: (i) Oceans and the Law of the Sea [agenda item 39 (a)]; (ii) Agreement for the implementation of the provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks [agenda item 39 (b)]; and (iii) Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and fisheries by-catch and discards [agenda item 39 (c)].

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Ahmad Kamal (Pakistan), on Tuesday, 28 October 1997, at 11 a.m. sharp in Conference Room E.

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The Bureau of the Commission on the Status of Women invites delegations to propose names for panelists to participate in the forty-second session of the Commission (2-13 March 1998). The topics of the panels will be: (1) women and armed conflict; (2) human rights of women; (3) the girl child; and (4) violence against women. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names, indicating the specific panel for which they are being proposed, to the Division for the Advancement of Women (DC2-1216), no later than Friday, 31 October 1997.

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The Executive Secretary of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty Organization (CTBTO) will meet on Friday, 24 October with the following groups: the Latin American Group from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 7; the Asian Group from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Mr. Ibrahima Fall, Assistant Secretary General for Political Affairs, will address a briefing on "Conflict resolution in Africa" on Friday, 24 October 1997 from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Member of delegations, representatives of non-governmental organizations, the media and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

There will be a meeting of Legal Advisers on Monday, 27 October, at 3 p.m. and on Wednesday, 29 October 1997, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

The Population Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) will hold an informal briefing on Monday, 27 October 1997, at 6.15 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The informal briefing, *inter alia*, is in connection with the five-year review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) and the convening of a United Nations Conference on international migration and development. All interested delegations, non-governmental organizations and staff members are invited to attend.

The Permanent Mission of Portugal to the United Nations invites all delegations to participate in informal consultations on organizational issues for the Special Session of the General Assembly on Drugs in 1998. These consultations will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Alvaro Mendoça e Moura, Ambassador of Portugal to the United Nations Office in Vienna and President of the Preparatory Committee of the Special Session of the General Assembly on Drugs, and will take place at 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9, on 27 October 1997.

There will be a meeting of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Committee on Wednesday, 29 October 1997, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

Panels

Briefings

The delegation of the Netherlands, in cooperation with the Special Rapporteur of the Subcommission on Traditional Practices Affecting the Health of Women and Children and the United Nations Fund for Population (UNFPA), will hold a briefing on the issue of traditional practices affecting the health of women and children on Friday, 24 October 1997, at 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

The New York Office for Drug Control and Crime Prevention (ODCCP) is organizing two panels in connection with the discussion on drug control and crime prevention and criminal justice in the Third Committee as follows: (a) A panel on "Prisons and Substance Abuse", co-sponsored by the Alliance of Non-governmental Organizations for Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, will take place on Monday, 27 October 1997, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Mr. Pino Arlacchi, Under-Secretary-General, will address the panel. The moderator will be Judge Milton Mollen, Deputy Mayor for Public Safety in New York City; (b) There will be a panel discussion on "Drugs in the Workplace and in the Community", co-sponsored by the United Nations International Drug Control Programme (UNDCP) and the International Labour Organization (ILO), on Tuesday, 28 October 1997, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. The panel will be moderated by Mr. James O'Hair, Manager of the Employee Assistance Programme at Northrop Grumman. Members of delegations, representatives of non-governmental organizations and staff members are invited to attend.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a French language Workshop on the structure and drafting of the United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York on the following dates: Wednesday, 5 November 1997, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Thursday, 6 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to the permanent representatives on 20 October 1997. The deadline for registration is Tuesday, 28 October. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603, tel.: 963-9196).

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Colloquium

The Colloquium on the Codification and Progressive Development of International Law (General Assembly resolution 51/160) will be held on Tuesday, 28 October 1997 at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2 and Wednesday, 29 October 1997 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 21 October 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE

11th meeting

Establishment of an International Criminal Court [150]

Statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands, (on behalf of the European Union), Italy, South Africa, Paraguay (on behalf of the Group of Rio), Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Ireland, Trinidad and Tobago (on behalf of CARICOM), Côte d'Ivoire, India, the Sudan, Greece, the United Republic of Tanzania, Lesotho, Malaysia, Swaziland, Singapore, China and Slovakia.

Organization of work

The Committee decided to establish an informal Working Group on the question of implementation of Charter provisions relating to third States affected by Security Council sanctions and elected Mr. Craig J. Daniell of South Africa, Vice Chairman of the Sixth Committee, as Chairman of the Working Group.

The representatives of the United States, India, the United Kingdom, the Russian Federation and Turkey spoke.

The Chairman also spoke.

Wednesday, 22 October 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

35th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Mr. Joaquim Alberto Chissano, President of the Republic of Mozambique

H.E. Mr. Joaquim Alberto Chissano, President of the Republic of Mozambique, addressed the General Assembly.

Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations: note by the Secretary-General (A/52/392) [7]

The General Assembly took note of document A/52/392.

Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections: election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination: note by the Secretary-General (A/52/440) [16 (b)]

Since the number of candidates nominated by the Economic and Social Council from among the African States, the Eastern European States, the Latin American and Caribbean States and the Western European and other States was equal to or did not exceed the number of seats to be filled in each of those regions, the Bahamas, France, Mexico, the Russian Federation, Uganda, the United States of America and Zambia were declared elected members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1998.

In view of the remaining two vacancies to be filled from among the Western European and other States, the General Assembly decided to retain sub-item (b) of agenda item 16 on the agenda of its fifty-second session.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 16.

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Latin American Economic System [25]:

(a) *Report of the Secretary-General (A/52/376);*

(b) *Draft resolution (A/52/L.6)*

The representative of Peru made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/52/L.6.

Statements were made by the representatives of Venezuela, Argentina, Suriname (on behalf of the Caribbean Community) and Romania.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 35/3 of 13 October 1980 the observer for the Latin American Economic System made a statement.

The Assembly adopted draft resolution A/52/L.6 (resolution 52/3).

The representative of Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union) made a statement in explanation of vote.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 25.

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference [31]:

(a) *Report of the Secretary-General (A/52/377);*

(b) *Draft resolution (A/52/L.2)*

The representative of Indonesia made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/52/L.2.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 3369 (XXX) of 10 October 1975, the observer for the Organization of the Islamic Conference made a statement.

The Assembly adopted draft resolution A/52/L.2 (resolution 52/4).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 31.

Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States [33]:

(a) *Report of the Secretary-General (A/52/378)*;

(b) *Draft Resolution (A/52/L.3 and Corr.1)*

The representative of Yemen made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/52/L.3 and Corr.1.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 477 (V) of 1 November 1950, the observer for the League of Arab States made a statement.

The Assembly adopted draft resolution A/52/L.3 and Corr.1. (resolution 52/5).

The representative of Israel made a statement in explanation of vote.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 33.

Observer status for the Andean Community in the General Assembly: draft resolution (A/52/L.5) [158]

The representative of Ecuador made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/52/L.5.

The representative of Venezuela made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/52/L.5 (resolution 52/6).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 158.

Programme of work

The General Assembly was informed that agenda item 42 (Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity), originally scheduled for Wednesday, 22 October, was postponed to a later date to be announced.

The attention of the Assembly was drawn to document A/INF/52/3/Add.1 which contained a tentative programme of work and schedule of plenary meetings for the remainder of October, for the month of November and for the beginning of December. It was further announced that the lists of speakers for the items contained in document A/INF/52/3/Add.1 were open.

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10th meeting

The Committee continued its general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items and heard statements by the representatives of Israel, Bahrain, Bolivia, Turkey, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the Syrian Arab Republic, Cuba, the United Republic of Tanzania, Kyrgyzstan, Kuwait and the International Committee of the Red Cross.

In exercise of the right of reply, statements were made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran and Iraq.

SECOND COMMITTEE

14th meeting

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [97]

(i) *Cultural development*

The Committee began consideration of item 97 (I) and had before it the documents listed in the *Journal*.

An introductory statement was made by the Coordinator and Chief of the World Decade for Cultural Development of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

Statements were made by the representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union; Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia aligned themselves with this statement, as did Norway), India, Turkey, the People's Republic of China, Cote d'Ivoire, the Republic of Korea and Colombia.

The Committee thus concluded the general discussion on item 97 (i).

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

15th meeting

Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources [101]

The Committee began consideration of the item and had before it document A/52/172-E/1997/71 and Corr.1.

An introductory statement was made by the Chief of the Regional Commissions' New York Office.

Statements were made by the representatives of Egypt, the Syrian Arab Republic, Malaysia, Tunisia, Jordan, Yemen, Algeria, Oman and Israel.

The Observer for Palestine made a statement.

The representative of the League of Arab States, an intergovernmental organization made a statement.

The Observer for Palestine made a statement in reply.

The Committee thus concluded the general discussion on agenda item 101.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10th meeting

Advancement of Women [105]

Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth Conference on Women [106]

The Committee resumed its joint consideration of the items and heard statements by the representatives of Jordan, Singapore, Jamaica, Kenya, the Marshall Islands, Bangladesh, Croatia, Australia, Malaysia, Ukraine, Iraq, the Republic of Korea, Costa Rica, the Philippines, Colombia, Zambia (on behalf of the Southern Africa Development Community) (SADC), and the Russian Federation.

11th meeting

The Committee continued its joint consideration of agenda item 105 and 106 and heard statements by the representatives of Kyrgyzstan, Romania, Venezuela, New Zealand, Turkey, Liberia, El Salvador, Thailand, Belarus, the Syrian Arab Republic, Nigeria, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Cuba, Israel, Kazakhstan, Yemen and Bahamas (on behalf of the Caribbean Community).

The representative of the United Nations Development Programme made a statement.

A statement was made by the representative of the World Health Organization.

The representative of the International Organization of Migration made a statement.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

11th meeting

Joint Inspection Unit [118]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item and heard a statement by the Chairman of the Joint Inspection Unit who introduced the reports of the Unit A/51/34, A/52/34, A/51/559 and Corr.1, A/52/206 and A/52/267).

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Algeria and the United States.

Organization of work

The representative of Canada made a statement as well as the Chairman.

12th meeting

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [116]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item and heard an address by the Secretary-General, who presented the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 (A/52/6/Rev.1: Vols. I and II).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the report of the ACABQ on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 (A/52/7). The Vice-Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, on behalf of the Chairman, introduced the report of the Committee on the work of its thirty-seventh session (A/52/16).

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Norway, Pakistan, Mexico, the Syrian Arab Republic, the United Republic of Tanzania, Cuba and Egypt.

The Controller responded to questions posed.

The Chairman made a statement.

The Chairman informed the Committee that the list of speakers on this item will be closed Thursday, 23 October, at 6 p.m.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

12th meeting

Establishment of an International Criminal Court [150]

Statements were made by the representatives of Austria, Finland, Jordan, Sweden, Liechtenstein, Viet Nam, Indonesia, Croatia, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Lebanon.

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

Sixty-first session
United Nations Office at Geneva

WEDNESDAY, 22 OCTOBER 1997

1620th and 1621th (closed) meetings

Organizational and other matters [2]

The Committee continued, in private session, the discussion of the item.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.**[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH
THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]**

*European Agreement on Main Inland Waterways of International
Importance (AGN), adopted at Geneva on 19 January 1996*

*Ratification: Hungary (22 October 1997)**

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS**Staff Council**

There will be a meeting of the Staff Council *today*, 23 October 1997, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. The meeting is open to staff members only.

Disarmament Week

The Centre for Disarmament Affairs, in collaboration with the Department of Public Information and the NGO Committee on Disarmament (New York), will hold a series of panel discussions to take place during Disarmament Week of 1997 from 21 to 23 October 1997. *Today*, 23 October, the first panel on the theme "The Evolving Role of United Nations and Disarmament" will take place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. The afternoon panel on the theme "The Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty and Beyond" will be held from 3 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. All delegations and staff are invited.

Information Fair

The Annual Inter-Agency Information Fair, organized by the Department of Public Information, will be held in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building until Friday, 24 October 1997. The event brings together nearly 30 specialized agencies, programmes and departments of the United Nations system, each with representatives on hand to answer questions and distribute brochures, posters, and other information materials.

Training courses for permanent missions

The second set of off-site Internet training course has been scheduled by the Information Technology Services Division (ITSD) to take place from 17 to 24 November 1997. The list of attendees should be submitted by Monday, 10 November, to Ms. Glenda San Pedro (fax: 963-0952). The courses offered will be: Netscape 3.0; Intermediate Internet; Introduction to HTML; Intermediate HTML; and Creating a Website.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE EDITOR

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